

REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of dependent claim 9. That claim was rejected over the combination of Astiz together with Youden. However, Youden is simply a conventional VCR system in which playback may be paused. There is nothing in either Astiz or Youden that suggests pausing while accessing additional or other information. Therefore, even if the two references were combined, there is no teaching of all the claimed elements. Moreover, there is absolutely no rationale whatsoever to combine the two references and no such rationale is ever provided within the rejection. As a result, the office action fails to make out a *prime facie* rejection.

On a similar analysis, claims 1-25 patentably distinguish over the art.

Claim 26 calls for storing video information as received for playback in the sequence the information was received, allowing playback of any portion of the stored video information while continuing store said incoming video information and automatically pausing the playback of said video information when the user changes the software focus while continuing to record the incoming video stream.

Claim 26 was rejected over the combination of Astiz and Youden. However, neither reference nor their combination teaches allowing playback of any portion of the stored video information while continuing to store said incoming video information.

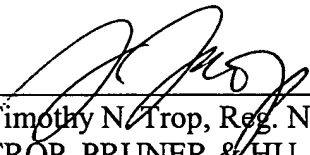
In addition, neither reference nor their combination teaches automatically pausing the playback of video information when the user changes software focus. The pause in Youden is not automatic and is not automatically implemented when the user changes the software focus. There is no change of software focus in Youden.

Finally, neither reference nor their combination teaches automatically pausing when the user changes the software focus, while continuing to record the incoming video stream. There is no recording while pausing playback in either reference. For all of these reasons, claim 26 patentably distinguishes over the art of record.

In view of these remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance and the Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested.

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